

PRIDE MARCH



SOCIAL SCRIPT

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WHAT IS THIS EVENT

- Midsumma Pride March is a BIG community event!
- Lots of different groups of people walk together down Fitzroy Street in St Kilda to celebrate their identity, community and shout their LGBTQIA+ pride from the rooftops!
- As Minus18, we are joined by hundreds of queer youth and their friends and families to represent the future of LGBTQIA+ community!
- We'll have heaps of handheld flags to hand out!
- You can read more about Midsumma Pride March [HERE](#)
- [Midsumma social script](#) can be read [HERE](#)

WHEN AND WHERE

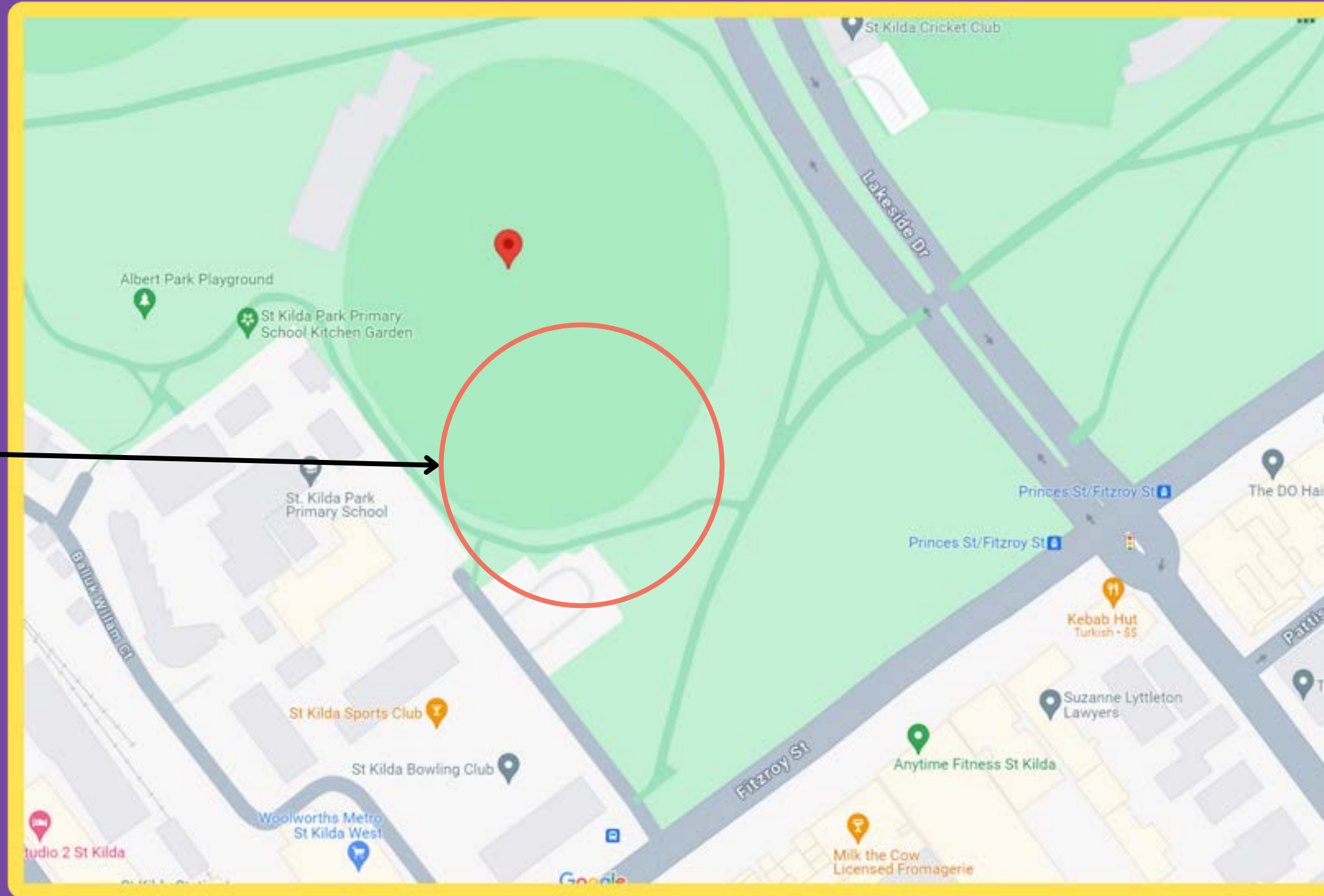
- **DATE:** Sunday 4th February, 2024
- **TIMES:**
 - **Arrival:** 10:00 - 10:45 AM
 - **March Time:** 11:00 AM
- **LOCATIONS:**
 - **Arrival:** Ian Johnson Oval, St Kilda (we'll have lots of signs!)
 - **March:** Fitzroy Street, St Kilda
- **COST:** FREE!

Make sure you've registered your group with Minus18!

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WHEN AND WHERE

We'll be around here!



GETTING THERE

Misumma Pride March is a really big event with lots of road closures and congestion!

It's important to plan your travel before you head off!

DRIVING: Due to congestion and limited parking we suggest taking public transport but if you need to drive you can park in the following locations:

- Palais Theatre Parking - Jacka Boulevard, St Kilda (via Carlisle/Acland Street only)
- Luna Park - 23 Shakespeare Grove, St Kilda (via Carlisle/Acland Street only)
- Acland Court - 158 Acland Street, St Kilda

FOR ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION HEAD [HERE](#)

GETTING THERE

Public Transport:

- **TRAM:** Trams will not be traveling down Fitzroy Street between 10.30am and 2.30pm, but can still be used to get you close to the March!
 - Route 96 tram to Stop 132 (St Kilda Station)
 - Route 12 to Stop 143 (Park Street/Fitzroy Street)
 - Any St Kilda Rd tram to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction)

GETTING THERE

Public Transport:

- **BUS:** Bus options during the Fitzroy Street closure period are:
 - Route 246 (Elsternwick to Clifton Hill) to St Kilda Road/Barkly Street (running as normal)
 - Route 623 (Glen Waverley to St Kilda) to Luna Park/The Esplanade via Carlisle Street (running as normal)
 - Route 606 (Fishermans Bend to Elsternwick Station) will reroute via St Kilda Station during the closure period (8am to 4:30pm Sunday 5 February)
 - Route 600/922/923 (Southland Shopping Centre to St Kilda via Sandringham) will run as normal but will not service the last two stops (St Kilda Station or Robe/Grey St).

GETTING THERE

Public Transport:

- **TRAIN:**

- From Balaclava Station: Tram 3/3a or 16 to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction)
- From Caulfield Station: Tram 3/3a to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction)
- From Elsternwick Station: Tram 67 to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction) or Route 246 bus to St Kilda Rd/Barkly St
- From Flinders Street Station: Tram 3/3a, 5, 16, 64 or 67 to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction)
- From Southern Cross Station: Tram 96 or 12 to Fitzroy Street
- From Windsor Station: Tram 5 or 64 from Stop 32 (Dandenong Rd) to Stop 30 (St Kilda Junction), or walk (15-20 minutes).

ACCESSIBILITY

Accessible Drop Off Point

Accessible Drop-off Point for MARCHERS: Canterbury Rd near Mary St - You can see this on google maps [HERE](#)

Accessible Viewing Area

Located at tram stop 134 on Fitzroy Street - between Park Lane and Loch Street. This area will be attended by Midumma Staff.

Accessible Toilets

All toilet blocks at Catani Gardens and Ian Johnson Oval are accessible

MIDSUMMA MAP

MEETING HERE

MIDSUMMA PRIDE MARCH 2024

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2024 Artwork by Loni Thompson

Legend:

- Midsumma Merchandise
- March Route
- Vehicle Assembly
- Accessible Drop-Off Point
- Marshalling Area
- Food Vendor
- Water Station
- Information Tent
- Bar
- Participant Registration
- 18+ Wristband
- Toilet - Existing Gender Neutral + Accessible
- First Aid

The map shows the event route starting from the intersection of Fitzroy Street and Fitzroy Street, heading east along Fitzroy Street. Key locations include the St Kilda Sports Club Registration area, a marshalling area, and various service points like food vendors and water stations. A white arrow points from the text 'MEETING HERE' to the registration area.

MINUS18 YOUTH WORKERS AND SAFETY ANGELS

Minus18 Youth Workers and safety angels are all absolute legends and here to help!!

- All our Youth Workers are fully trained and accredited!

Safety Angels are incredible volunteers who help to make the march super special and make sure that you're having a good time!

When you are with us at the Ian Johnson Oval and as we're marching, look out for legends wearing:

- Black Youth Worker t-shirts
- Pride lanyards
- Pride Minus18 branded signs
- Rainbow flags

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WHAT TO BRING

- A fully charged phone
- A POSTER or BANNER!
- A facemask (if you want to)
- A full water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Noise cancelling headphones (if you want to)
- A mobility aid (if applicable)
- A fidget toy if you need!
- Friends or Fam!

SENSORY GUIDE - SOUNDS

- Announcements
- Loud chatting
- Music
- Shouting and whooping
- Singing

SENSORY GUIDE - FEELS

- Crowd movement
- Shared personal space
- Change in ground surface (Grass to concrete to road)
- The weather - hot or cold

SENSORY GUIDE - SMELL

- Food and Drinks
- Deodorant
- People smells (BO)
- Perfume
- Cut grass
- Petrol

SENSORY GUIDE - SIGHT

- Large crowds
- Performers in costume
- Lots of colour
- Camera flashes
- Bubbles
- Motorbikes or push bikes

FINDING US AT THE OVAL

Because we're walking at the front of the march we'll be along the front most edge of Ian Johnson Oval!

- We will have LOTS of Minus18 Signs - BIG AND SMALL
- Look for the group with lots of other young folk!
- We'll have bubbles blowing up into the air

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WHAT TO EXPECT - ACCESSIBILITY

- There are lots of Youth Workers and safety angels walking with us!
- We'll have some awesome drag performers walking with us to help lead the march!
- Our march contingent is alcohol, drug, smoke and vape free!
Midsumma also has a no BYO policy for the march.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- Hey, I love your outfit! Where did you get it?
- Do you have a favourite band or tv show?
- Who has been your favourite act so far?
- Who is your favourite TV or Movie character?
- What's a hobby of yours? Mine is...
- Do you want to have a dance?!
- What's your favourite song?



WHAT IF I NEED HELP?

- I can speak to a Youth Worker and ask for help
- I can tell a friend I need to speak to a Youth Worker
- I can tell the Minus18 crew I need some help
- I can speak to a Young Leader about the event
- I can take a moment and head to the back of the Minus18 contingent to have a quieter experience

NOTE: Because this is an outdoor public event, there is no quiet space.

CONTACT

Minus18 is committed to creating safe and accessible spaces for all queer youth! If you have any feedback on this social script that you would like us to know, get in touch via this email

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